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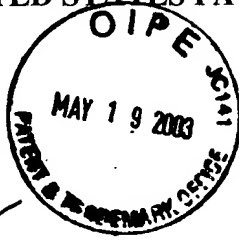
In re application of

Koji FUJIMOTO

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Examiner: Jan M. Ludlow

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For: METHOD OF ASSAYING A SPECIMEN USING A REAGENT

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages and as allowed by the new format specified in the Official Gazette Notice of February 25, 2003, entitled, *Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted*, wherein the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 (a-d) have been waived.